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SUBJECT: NAVAL ASSISTANCE FOR PHILAE TEMPLE PROJECT

REF: CAIRO 13011

1. DEPT ON JULY 15 REQUESTED ASSISTANCE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT
HAVING NAVY OR OTHER BRANCH OF U.S. ARMED FORCES DETERMINE
FEASIBILITY OF REMOVING BY HELICOPTER OR OTHER MEANS LOWER-
LEVEL FOUNDATION STONES OF PHILAE TEMPLES BEFORE PUMPING
OPERATIONS AT SITE ARE STOPPED AND NILE ONCE AGAIN COVERS
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THEM. ARCHAEOLOGISTS HAVE DISCOVERED THAT STONES CONTAIN
HITHERTO UNKNOWN INFORMATION CRITICAL TO HISTORY OF PHILAE
TEMPLES WITH POSSIBILITY THAT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MIGHT
LIE BELOW THESE STONES. EQUIPMENT AT SITE IS NOT SUITABLE
FOR REMOVAL OF THE STONES, AND U.S. EXPERTS ASSOCIATED
WITH PHILAE PROJECT BELIEVE HELICOPTERS MIGHT BE ABLE AC-
COMPLISH TASK.

2. PROPOSAL FOR DOD ASSISTANCE MADE THROUGH IO/UNESCO UPON INITIATIVE OF ROBERT GARVEY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION, A MEMBER OF ARCHAEOLOGISTS' AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS' COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT FOR PHILAE TEMPLES. GARVEY INITIATIVE SECONDED BY PAUL PERROT, ASSISTANT SECRETARY MUSEUM PROGRAMS, SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION, WHO WAS U.S. REPRESENTATIVE TO LAST SESSION OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE FOR INTERNATIONAL CAMPAIGN TO SAVE NUBIAN MONUMENTS.

3. IF OPERATIONALLY FEASIBLE, EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT WOULD MOST LIKELY BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PER DIEM OF HELICOPTER CREW AND FUEL USED DURING OPERATION, PRESUMBALY CHARGING COST TO PHILAE ACCOUNT. SUGGEST EMBASSY CONTACT OFFICIALS MINISTRY CULTURE (NUBIA CAMPAIGN) WHO FAMILIAR WITH PROPOSAL.

4. DEPT POUCHING BACKGROUND INFORMATION FOR CAIRO AND ALEXANDRIA. CHRISTOPHER

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